

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-17 are presently active in this application, Claims 15-17 having been amended by the present amendment.

In the outstanding Official Action Claims 16-17 were objected to as including typographical errors requiring correction; and Claim 15 was rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. However, Claims 1-14 were allowed, and Claims 16-17 indicated as including allowable subject matter upon correction of the noted informalities.

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter.

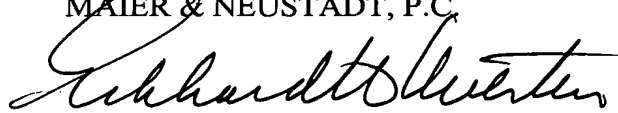
In response to the objection to Claims 16-17, the informalities identified in these claims have been corrected herewith. Accordingly, the objection to Claims 16-17 is believed to have been overcome and these claims are also believed to be allowable.

In response to the rejection of Claim 15 under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, Claim 15 has been amended to recite that the program stored on the claimed recording medium includes first through eighth program codes enabling the computer to perform the respective functionalities stated. In view of these changes to Claim 15, Claim 15 is believed to be definite under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, and the outstanding rejection is believed to have been overcome. If the Examiner disagrees, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned who will be happy to work with the Examiner in a joint effort to derive mutually satisfactory claim language. Nevertheless, in view of the present amendment of Claim 15, and since there were not other grounds for rejection of Claim 15 stated, Claim 15 is also believed to be allowable.

Consequently, in view of the present amendment, and in view of the indication of allowable subject matter, no further issues are believed to be outstanding, and the present application is believed to be in condition for formal allowance. An early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

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